## <u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant takes this opportunity to make one additional change to dependent claim 31 of the pending claims.

Prompt and favorable examination of pending claims 20-38 is respectfully requested.

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In the Claims:

The claims have been amended as follows:

31. (Twice Amended) The electronic thermometer according to claim 21, wherein a temperature value computed by the computation device has four digits as expressed in one of Centigrade and Fahrenheit, the first temperature value portion consisting of a portion of the temperature value of higher three digits while the second temperature value portion [includes] consists of a portion of the temperature value of the lowest fourth digit.